

Brief newsletter

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1 **New Rules for Parties**

Expect stiff fines and maybe even jail time if your house party breaks the City's new rules about noise or underage drinking. Two new ordinances took effect in late May, requiring Chula Vista residents to party more responsibly. The Social Host ordinance cracks down on adults who allow alcohol to be served to minors. The Loud Party ordinance discourages music, radios and even TVs that are turned up too loud in residential neighborhoods between 11 p.m. and 8 a.m. For more information about the ordinances and penalties, call the Chula Vista Police Department Community Relations Unit at (619) 409-5466.



2 **Foster Parents Needed for Kittens**

Every spring the Chula Vista Animal Care Facility is literally crawling with new kittens not quite old enough for adoption. Our cattery is full again this year, and more kittens are arriving every week. The CVACF is looking for people who would be interested in easing the crush by fostering a kitten for two to four weeks. We provide the food and most supplies. Those interested may call City veterinarian Dr. Dorothy York at (619) 476-2480.

3 **A Limited Offer**

In an effort to help local businesses save energy and money, the City is offering energy-efficient compact fluorescent light bulbs--for free. City staff will perform a brief energy assessment for businesses that want to participate in the program and exchange their fluorescent bulbs for the traditional incandescent bulbs. The more efficient bulbs come in a variety of sizes and shapes and use at least 70% less energy. To take advantage of the limited time offer, contact the City today at (619) 409-3893 or Conservation@ci.chula-vista.ca.us.

4 **June Meetings**

City Council will hold a budget workshop June 7. The session begins at 6 p.m. at the John Lippitt Public Works Center. There will be no regular City Council meeting June 26 or July 3.

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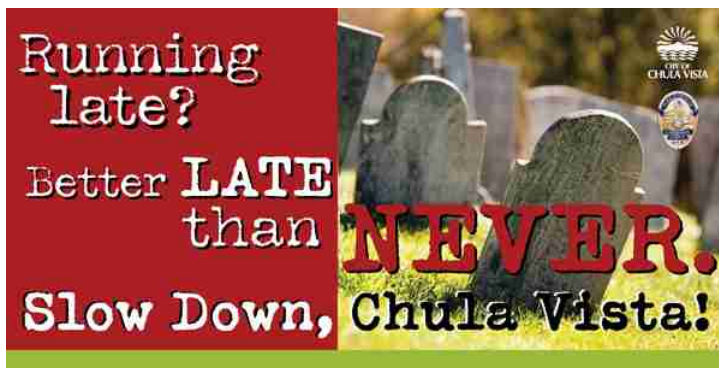
5 **Music In The Park** Free Concerts Begin June 3



Just a reminder that "Music In The Park," a free concert series presented by the Chula Vista Office of Arts and Culture, kicks off another summer season June 3 with the classic rock sounds of Night Shift. June's concerts will be presented on the patio of Salt Creek Park Recreation Center, located at 2710 Otay Lakes Road. Concerts begin at 5p.m. (serve dinner), but only until April 14. For a list of restaurants and locations where you can pick up coupons, click on the flyer posted under Featured Destination on the City's website at www.chulavistaca.gov.

6 **Slow Down, Chula Vista!**

This month, Chula Vista kicked off an aggressive campaign to crack down on speeders. It's called Slow Down, Chula Vista! Over the next few months, be prepared for increased enforcement throughout the community. Chula Vista police have teamed up with the City's Engineering experts to change high-risk behavior behind the wheel. High-speed areas have been identified, and eight of the most dangerous locations have been targeted for special enforcement and engineering strategies to encourage drivers to slow down. Watch for us. We'll be watching for you. To learn more, go to www.chulavistaca.gov/trafficsafety or call (619) 476-5320.



7 **Reporting Crime Online**

CVPD is now among a handful of police departments in San Diego County to launch online crime reporting. Reporting online is limited to less serious crimes where there is no suspect information. The only requirements are Internet access and a valid email address. Police are supportive of the online program because it frees up officers to respond to more serious calls. Crimes that can be reported over the Internet include non-injury vehicle collisions, non-injury hit and run collisions and lost cell phones. As the program expands, victims will be able to report other crimes including petty theft, lost property, and vandalism. You're invited to check out online reporting at www.chulavistapd.org.



8 **Shade Tree Give-a-way**

Chula Vista homeowners can get up to five free trees through the new South Bay Shade program! Trees provide shade that reduces energy costs, improve local air and water quality, and increase property values. The program offers more than 20 tree varieties ranging from 10 to 15-gallons in size. For more information, call (858) 244-1181. The program is administered by the California Center for Sustainable Energy and funded through The Home Depot Foundation.

9 **Shopping Additions**

At the Otay Ranch Town Center, two new eateries and a jewelry store are opening for business this month. Additions include Romano's Macaroni Grill, Juice It Up and Ben Bridge Jewelers. And coming to Third Avenue in downtown Chula Vista, are newcomers Tortas La Especial and Frutas del Sol-more dining out options.

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